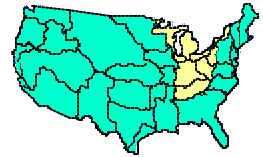




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Lewis and Clark Journey the Ohio Again!

Cincinnati, OH --- Events commemorating the 200th anniversary of the Lewis and Clark Corps of Discovery will occur along the 981-mile Ohio River this fall. Starting at Pittsburgh on August 31, at the confluence of the Monongahela and Allegheny Rivers, the re-enactment of Captain Meriwether Lewis' 1803 journey westward down the Ohio will follow the river to Cairo, Illinois. The activities commemorate the Eastern Legacy of this epic journey, the first of the great Army expeditions

As in the era of Lewis and Clark, the Army continues to play a vital role in Ohio River Navigation. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is working with the re-enactment team and local communities, and is also providing an exhibit barge with educational and historical information. The exhibits will be open to the public while the barge is docked at more than thirty sites along the Ohio River. Admission is free, and hours of operation will vary depending on arrival and departure times at each location. Exhibits will include a reproduction of a period military uniform, boats of the expedition, information about sites along the Ohio River, supplies carried on the expedition, and other information about this epic journey

By following the original journey according to the information Lewis recorded in his journal, the re-enactors and barge exhibits will enhance commemoration events planned by communities along the Ohio River. This is truly an American grassroots commemoration and is possible through the united efforts of communities, federal, state, and local agencies, the navigation industry and community volunteers. Events along the Ohio River are a part of the Eastern Legacy of the Corps of Discovery. Lewis began his journey in the east, at the direction of President Thomas Jefferson, traveled down the Ohio River, joined Captain William Clark at the Falls of the Ohio, and recruited men throughout the Ohio River Valley to serve in the Army for this historic expedition to discover a water passage across the continent.

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The replica keelboat and red pirogue were built and are manned by the Discovery Expedition of St. Charles, Missouri. A barge with exhibits is furnished by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The navigation industry is cooperating to ensure safe passage down the Ohio River. Ingram Barge Company and Madison Coal and Supply Company are providing a spud barge and chase boat in support of navigation safety.

For additional information about the US Army Corps of Engineers role contact Suzanne Fournier, Public Affairs at 513-6840-3010 or Paige Cruz at 304-360-1480. Information about community activities can be found at:

<http://LRD.usace.army.mil/PA/lc/html>

August through November re-enactment and barge exhibit public opportunities are as follows:

August 31	Ft. Pitt, Pittsburgh, Penn.
September 1-2	Rochester, Penn.
September 3-4	Georgetown, Penn.
September 4-6	Ft. Steuben, Steubenville, Oh.
September 6	Wellsburg, W. Va.
September 6-9	Wheeling, W. Va.
September 9-10	Sistersville, W. Va.
September 10-13	Marietta, Oh.
September 13-15	Belpre, Oh.
September 15-17	Ravenswood, W. Va.
September 17-19	Gallipolis, Oh.
September 19-21	Huntington, W. Va.
September 21-22	Shawnee State Park, Portsmouth, Oh.
September 22-23	Vanceburg, Ky.
September 23-24	Maysville, Ky.
September 24-25	Augusta, Ky.
September 26-30	New Richmond, Oh.
Sept. 30- Oct. 8	Barges at Covington, Ky.
October 5-8	Replica boats at Big Bone Lick State Park, Ky.
October 8-9	Warsaw, Ky.
October 9-11	Carrollton, Ky.
October 11-14	Bethlehem, Ind.
October 14-19	Louisville, Ky.
October 21-26	Clarksville-Jeffersonville, Ind.
October 26-29	West Point, Ky.
October 29-30	Alton, Ind.
Oct. 31- Nov. 2	Stevensport, Ky.
November 2-3	Owensboro, Ky.
November 3-5	Evansville, Ind.
November 5-7	Henderson, Ky.
November 7-8	Mt. Vernon, Ind.
November 8-9	Old Shawneetown, Ill.
November 9-10	Golconda, Ill.
November 10-12	Paducah, Ky.
November 12-15	Ft. Massac, Ill.
November 15-20	Cairo, Ill.